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HISTORICAL SUMMARY

OF THE

CORN LAWS,

CONTAINING THE SUBSTANCE OF THE STATUTES PASSED FROM
THE YEAR 1660, FOR REGULATING THE IMPORTATION
AND CONSUMPTION OF FOREIGN, AND THE
EXPORTATION OF BRITISH, CORN.

WITH

NOTES AND AN APPENDIX OF STATEMENTS,
ILLUSTRATIVE OF THE OPERATION OF THE
SEVERAL STATUTES.

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It will readily be perceived that the following work consists of facts, not opinions, being intended simply to shew, in as clear, concise, and connected a manner as practicable, the substance of the successive legislative enactments respecting Corn, from the Restoration of Charles II.—the period at which commerce and agriculture appear to have first occupied the serious attention of Parliament—down to the present time. The Author, who has had the subject continually under his attention in a public office, where accounts of the importation and consumption of foreign articles are recorded under his immediate superintendence, and in which he has had an experience of nearly

forty years, has spared no pains to render this body of important facts, so essential to the elucidation of the Corn Question, as complete and accurate as possible.

The statements comprised in the Appendix are added to the work, because they throw a material light upon the practical effect and operation of the Corn Laws.

HISTORICAL SUMMARY,

&c.

1660.* 12 Car. II. c. 4. The export of corn was permitted whenever the prices at the port of exportation did not exceed, for wheat, 40s. per quarter; rye, pease, and beans, 24s.; barley and malt, 20s.; oats, 16s. The poundage on exportation amounted to 1s. per quarter for wheat, 4*d.* for oats, and 6*d.* for other grain. The import rates, from poundage, were as follows, subject to an allowance of 5 per cent. for discount:

	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
Wheat and buck-wheat, when not exceeding 44s. at the port of importation <i>per qr.</i>	2	0
Ditto, exceeding 44s.	0	4
Rye, beans, barley, and malt, when not ex. 36s.	1	4
Ditto ex. 36s.	0	3
Oats and pease	0	2½
Meal of wheat or rye, per last of 12 barrels	3	0

* See notes 1 and 2, Appendix.

1663. 15 Car. II., c. 7. [See note 3, appendix.]
 Corn was allowed to be exported, when the prices did not exceed the following sums per qr. at the places of shipment; wheat, 48s.; rye, pease and beans, 32s.; barley, buck-wheat and malt, 28s.; oats, 13s. 4d. The import duties were increased to the sums under-mentioned, on corn, when not exceeding the same prices at the port of importation :

	s.	d.		s.	d.
Wheat when not ex.	48	0	<i>per qr.</i>	5	4
Rye, pease and beans	32	0		4	0
Barley and malt	28	0		2	8
Oats	13	4		1	4
Buck-wheat.	28	0		2	0

When exceeding those prices, poundage, as before, was chargeable, viz. 4d. on wheat; 3d. on rye, beans, barley, and malt; 2½d. on oats and pease.

Corn might be laid up in granaries, and sold again only when at the prices at which export was permitted, as above stated. (*Repealed by 31 Geo. III., c. 30, 1791.*)

1670. 22 Car. II., c. 8, directed the Winchester bushel, (containing 8 gallons), only to be used in ascertaining the measures of corn.

22 Car. II., c. 13, intituled "An Act for the improvement of tillage," corn might be exported,

Buck Wheat, not ex. 32s. ex. 32s. and not ex. 44s. ex. 44s.	16 0 2 0 0 4	2 0 2 0 0 4	0 8 0 8 0 1 ¹ / ₃	1 4 1 4 0 2 ³ / ₃	2 0 2 0 0 4	22 0 8 0 1 4
Wheat Meal, When Wheat did not exceed 53s. 4d. <i>per qr.</i> And addl. per last of 12 barrels When Wheat exceeded 53s. 4d. but did not exceed 80s. <i>per qr.</i> And additional per last . When Wheat ex. 80s. <i>per last</i>	16 0 — 8 0 3 0	— 3 0 — 3 0 3 0	— 1 0 — 1 0 1 0	— 2 0 — 2 0 2 0	— 3 0 — 3 0 3 0	16 0 9 0 8 0 9 0 12 0
Rye Meal, When Rye did not ex. 40s. <i>p. qr.</i> And additional per last When Rye ex. 40s. <i>per last</i>	16 0 — 3 0	— 3 0 3 0	— 1 0 1 0	— 2 0 2 0	— 3 0 3 0	16 0 9 0 12 0
Oatmeal, charged by practice with the same duties as Oats.						



although the prices exceeded the sums fixed by 15 Car. II., c. 7, paying poundage as before, viz. 1*s.* per quarter on wheat; 4*d.* on oats; and 6*d.* on other grain. Rates of duty on importation were imposed, in lieu of poundage, on corn, when under certain prices at the port of importation, as follows:

	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
On wheat . . . when not ex.	53	4	16	0
Do. ex. 53 <i>s.</i> 4 <i>d.</i> , and not above.	80	0	8	0
Rye, pease, & beans, when not ex.	40	0	16	0
Barley, malt, and buck wheat do.	32	0	16	0
Oats do.	16	0	5	4
Wheat-flour—as wheat.				

When exceeding those prices, poundage, as before, was chargeable, viz. 4*d.* on wheat; 3*d.* on rye, beans, barley, and malt; 2½*d.* on oats and pease.

The annexed Table exhibits the progressive augmentation of the import duties, from the passing of 22 Car. II., c. 13, until 13 Geo. III., c. 43, (1774), by which law the regulating prices were again altered.

1689. 1 W. and Mary, c. 12. Bounties [see notes 4 and 5, appendix] were granted on the exportation of the following articles, ground or unground :

	s.	d.	
Wheat . . .	5	0	per qr. when the price was
			at or under . . 48s.
Rye . . .	3	6	do. do. . 32
Barley & malt	2	6	ditto, when barley was at
			or under . . 24

N.B. The following regulations were made by subsequent Acts, regarding the bounties on exportation. The excise duty of 6d. per bushel not to be reckoned into the price of malt, 13 and 14 W. III., c. 5, &c. The bounty to be allowed after the rate of 30 quarters of malt for every 20 quarters of barley or other corn made into malt, 3 Geo. II., c. 7. The same bounty to be allowed on the export of 224lb of wheat-meal and other ground corn, as on 4 bushels of wheat or other corn unground, 24 Geo. II., c. 56.

1698. 10 and 11 W. III., c. 3. The export prohibited, for one year, from 10th February, of corn, malt, meal, flour, bread, biscuit, and starch.*

* In the prohibitions on exportation enumerated in this statement, exceptions were made in favour of the supply of certain British possessions abroad.

1699. 11 W. III., c. 1. The bounties on exportation were suspended from 9th February, 1699, to 29th September, 1700.

1700. 11 and 12 W. III., c. 20, continued by subsequent Acts. The duties on the exportation of all sorts of corn and grain, ground or unground, and also bread, biscuit, and meal, to cease from 13th March, 1700.

1707. 5 Anne, c. 29. (From 1st May.) Bounties allowed on the export of the following articles :

	s.	d.	
Beer or bigg . . .	2	6	<i>per qr.</i> when the price was at or under 24s.
Malt made of wheat	5	0 48
Oatmeal	2	6	. . . when oats were at or under . 15

See note to bounties granted in 1689.

1709. 8 Anne, c. 2. The export of corn, meal, flour, malt, bread, biscuit, and starch, wines and spirits made from corn, was prohibited until 29th September, 1710, with a power to the Queen to allow the export sooner.

1741. 14 Geo. II., c. 3. The export of corn, meal, malt, flour, bread, biscuit, and starch was

prohibited before 25th December, 1741, with a power to the King to allow the export sooner. By c. 7 power was given to the judge of the bills in the Court of Session to allow the import of corn, &c. or to suspend the same in time of dearth and scarcity in Scotland.

1757. 30 Geo. II., c. 1. The export to foreign parts of corn, malt, meal, flour, bread, biscuit, and starch, was prohibited before 25th December, 1757.

30 Geo. II., c. 7, 9, and 14. Corn or flour imported before 15th November admitted duty free, either in British or neutral ships.

1758. 31 Geo. II. c. 1. The laws of the last year were continued until 24th December, 1758. No bounty allowed on exportation during the continuance of this Act.

1759. 32 Geo. II. c. 2 & 8. The prohibition of export by 30 Geo. II. c. 1., and the suspension of the bounty, further continued until 25th March, 1759, from which date the export and bounty were again allowed. The Act of 1757, for discontinuing the duties on corn imported, was allowed to expire.

1765. 5 Geo. III. c. 32. The King was enabled

to prohibit the export of wheat, wheaten flour, bread, &c., during the recess of Parliament. By c. 31, the duties on corn imported were discontinued for a time, and the bounty on wheat and wheat flour exported was also discontinued.

1766. 6 Geo. III. c. 3. The import of corn and grain from the colonies was allowed for a limited time duty free; by c. 4, the import of oats and oatmeal was allowed for a limited time duty free; by c. 5, the export of corn, malt, meal, flour, bread, &c., was prohibited for a limited time.

1767. On the 26th September the Privy Council issued a Proclamation, laying an embargo on the export of wheat and flour, and prohibiting the use of that grain in the distilleries. By 7 Geo. III. c. 3, the export of corn, grain, malt, flour, bread, &c., was prohibited for a limited time. By c. 4, 5, 8, 11, 22, the import of wheat, &c. was allowed for a limited time duty free. By c. 7, all persons concerned in executing the embargo above mentioned were indemnified.

1768. 8 Geo. III. c. 1. The prohibition on exportation was further continued, and the bounties were suspended. By c. 2 & 3, the free importation of several sorts of grain was allowed.

1769. 9 Geo. III. c. 1. Exportation and bounty suspended for a further time.

1770. 10 Geo. III. c. 1. Exportation and bounty suspended for a further time; and by c. 10, the exportation of malt allowed.

1771. 11 Geo. III. c. 1. Exportation and bounty suspended for a further time.

1772. 12 Geo. III. c. 1. Exportation and bounty suspended for a further time; and by c. 33, the free importation, in any vessel, of wheat, wheat-flour, rye, rye-meal, and Indian corn, permitted until 1st December 1772.

1773. 13 Geo. III. c. 3. Exportation and bounty suspended until 1st January, 1774; by c. 1 & 2, the free importation of all sorts of corn, meal, flour and pulse, permitted from 1st December, 1772, to 1st January, 1774.

1774. 13 Geo. III. c. 43., from 1st January. [See note 6, appendix]. The following alterations were made in the duties and bounties :—

Duties on Importation.

Whenever the prices of middling British corn at the port of importation were at or above the

following sums, the former duties ceased ; and during the continuance of such prices, and in lieu of those duties, the undermentioned rates were to be paid:—

	Prices.	Duty.
Wheat (and buck-wheat)	48s.	6d. per qr. on wheat. 2d. per cwt. on flour.
Rye, pease, and beans .	32s.	3d. per qr.
Barley, beer or bigg .	24s.	2d. per do.
Oats . . .	16s.	2d. per do.

When the prices were under those sums, the former scale of duties, (as shewn in table, page 3,) became chargeable; in which case, corn and flour were allowed to be warehoused at the principal ports, paying, on delivery for home use, such duty as might be due at that time.

Export.

The export to Foreign parts was prohibited, of corn or meal, flour, malt, bread and biscuit made therefrom, when British corn was at or above the following sums, per quarter, at the port of exportation: wheat, 44s.; rye, pease, and beans, 28s.; barley, beer or bigg, 22s.; oats, 14s.

Bounties on British Corn, ground or unground, Exported in British Ships.

When the prices of middling corn were under

the following sums at the port from which exported, viz.,

Wheat	.	.	44s.	a bounty allowed of 5s. per qr. on wheat, and malt made therefrom.
Rye	.	.	28	a bounty allowed of 3s. per qr. on rye.
Barley, beer or bigg			22	a bounty allowed of 2s. 6d. per qr. on barley, beer, or bigg, and on malt made therefrom.
Oats	.	.	14	a bounty allowed of 2s. per qr. on oats, and 2s. 6d. per qr. on oatmeal, at the rate of 276lb to the qr.

1775. 15 Geo. III. c. 1. Indian corn allowed to be imported on payment of 1*d.* per quarter, whenever barley was admissible under 13 Geo. III. c. 43, at 2*d.* per quarter.

Table of the import duties on corn, from the passing of 13 Geo. III. c. 43, to the 27 Geo. III. c. 13, (1787.)*

	Rates in 1774, by 13 Geo. 3., c. 43.			From 1779, including an additional duty of 5 per cent, (by 19 Geo. 3., c. 25) on for- mer rates.			1782 to 1787, including a further addi- tion of 5 per cent, by 22 Geo. 3., c. 66.		
	s.	d.		s.	d.	20ths	s.	d.	20ths.
Wheat, when not ex. 44s. <i>per qr.</i>	22	0		23	1	4	24	2	8
— ex. 44s. but under 48s.	17	0		17	10	4	18	8	8
— at or above 48s.	0	6		0	6	6	0	6	12
Rye, under 32s.	20	0		21	0	0	22	0	0
— at or above 32s.	0	3		0	3	3	0	3	6
Beans, not ex. 28s.	20	0		21	0	0	22	0	0
— ex. 28s. but under 32s.	16	9		17	7	1	18	5	2
— at or above 32s.	0	3		0	3	3	0	3	6
Barley, beer or bigg, under 24s.	20	0		21	0	0	22	0	0
— at or above 24s.	0	2		0	2	2	0	2	4
Oats, under 16s.	5	11½		6	2	11	6	6	2
— at or above 16s.	0	2		0	2	2	0	2	4
Pease, under 32s.	16	7½		17	5	4	18	3	3
— at or above 32s.	0	3		0	3	3	0	3	6
Buck wheat, not ex. 32s.	22	0		23	1	4	24	2	8
— ex. 32s. and not ex. 44s.	8	0		8	4	16	8	9	12
— ex. 44s. and not ex. 48s.	1	4		1	4	16	1	5	12
— at or above 48s.	0	6		0	6	6	0	6	12
Indian-corn, when barley was ad- missible at the low duty (1775.)	0	1		0	1	1	0	1	2
Wheat-flour, when wheat was un- der 48s. <i>per qr.</i>	16	0		16	9	12	17	7	4
and additional <i>per last</i> of 12 barrels	9	0		9	5	8	9	10	16
— when wheat was at or above 48s. <i>per cwt.</i>	0	2		0	2	2	0	2	4
Rye meal, when rye was not ex. 40s. <i>per qr.</i>	16	0		16	9	12	17	7	4
and additional <i>per last.</i>	9	0		9	5	8	9	10	16
— when ex. 40s. <i>per last</i>	12	0		12	7	4	13	2	8
Oatmeal—as oats.									

* The discount of 5 per cent allowed on the above, (except

1780. 20 Geo. III. c. 31. Half the usual bounty was allowed on the export of corn in neutral ships. *Continued by 21 Geo. III. c. 29, and 22 Geo. III. c. 13, until 25th March 1783.*

1783. 23 Geo. III. c. 1. From 25th December 1782, to 25th August 1783, corn grain and meal might be imported in British or neutral vessels, or taken out of warehouse, on payment of the low duties only. By c. 9, rice, paddy, and Indian corn and meal might be imported duty free for a limited time. By c. 53, the King was enabled to permit, for a limited time, the free importation of corn, grain, meal, flour and pulse, into certain counties of Scotland. By c. 81, no bounty was to be allowed on the export of corn, grain and meal, from England, before 26th August, 1783, nor from Scotland before 26th September, 1783. No bounty was to be paid on the export of corn, &c. from those parts of Scotland into which importation was allowed duty free under c. 53.

1787. 27 Geo. III. c. 13. By this Act, the several branches of the Customs Revenue were

on the high rates) until 1781, when the customs duties were directed to be paid in ready money, without any discount.

consolidated. The rates on the importation of corn were fixed at the following sums, and so continued until 1791. The permission given by 13 Geo. III. c. 43, for the warehousing of corn and delivery thereof, for home use, at the duties which might be due at that time, were continued. The bounties on exportation remained unaltered.

	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
Wheat, when under 48s. at the port of importation <i>per qr.</i>	24	3
Ditto at or above 48s.	0	6
Rye and beans, under 32s.	22	0
Ditto, at or above 32s.	0	3
Barley, beer or bigg, under 24s.	22	0
Ditto, at or above 24s.	0	2
Oats, under 16s.	6	7
Ditto, at or above 16s.	0	2
Pease, under 32s.	18	4
Ditto, at or above 32s.	0	3
Indian corn and maize, when barley was under 24s.	11	0
Ditto at or above 24s.	0	1
Buck-wheat—charged by practice as wheat		
Wheat flour, when wheat was under 48s. . .	24	3
Ditto, at or above 48s. <i>per cwt.</i>	0	2

1789, 1790, 1791. 29 Geo. III. c. 58. The export of British corn, except barley and malt, prohibited between 1st August, and 29th Septem-

ber 1789. By order in council of 23rd December, 1789, the export was prohibited of wheat, rye, barley and oats, and their respective meal, beans, malt, bread and biscuit; and the importation permitted at the low duty, of wheat, rye, barley and oats, and their respective meal. By 30 Geo. III. c. 1, the prohibitions on export (with the addition of pease) and the privilege of importing at the low duty, were ratified and continued until 29th September 1790—further continued by subsequent acts until 15th November 1791.

1791. 31 Geo. III. c. 30, from 15th November. The former laws for regulating the import and export of corn, and the payment of duty on importation, and of bounty on exportation, were repealed, and those contained in the annexed table substituted. The King was authorised, whenever the Parliament was not sitting, to prohibit the exportation, for a limited time, of corn, meal or flour (except warehoused foreign corn) when the average price was higher than that at which the same sort of corn might be imported on the low duty; and in like manner, to permit the import, at the lowest duty, of the same articles, whenever the average price of any sort of corn or of oatmeal, for the whole kingdom, might be higher than those fixed for admission from

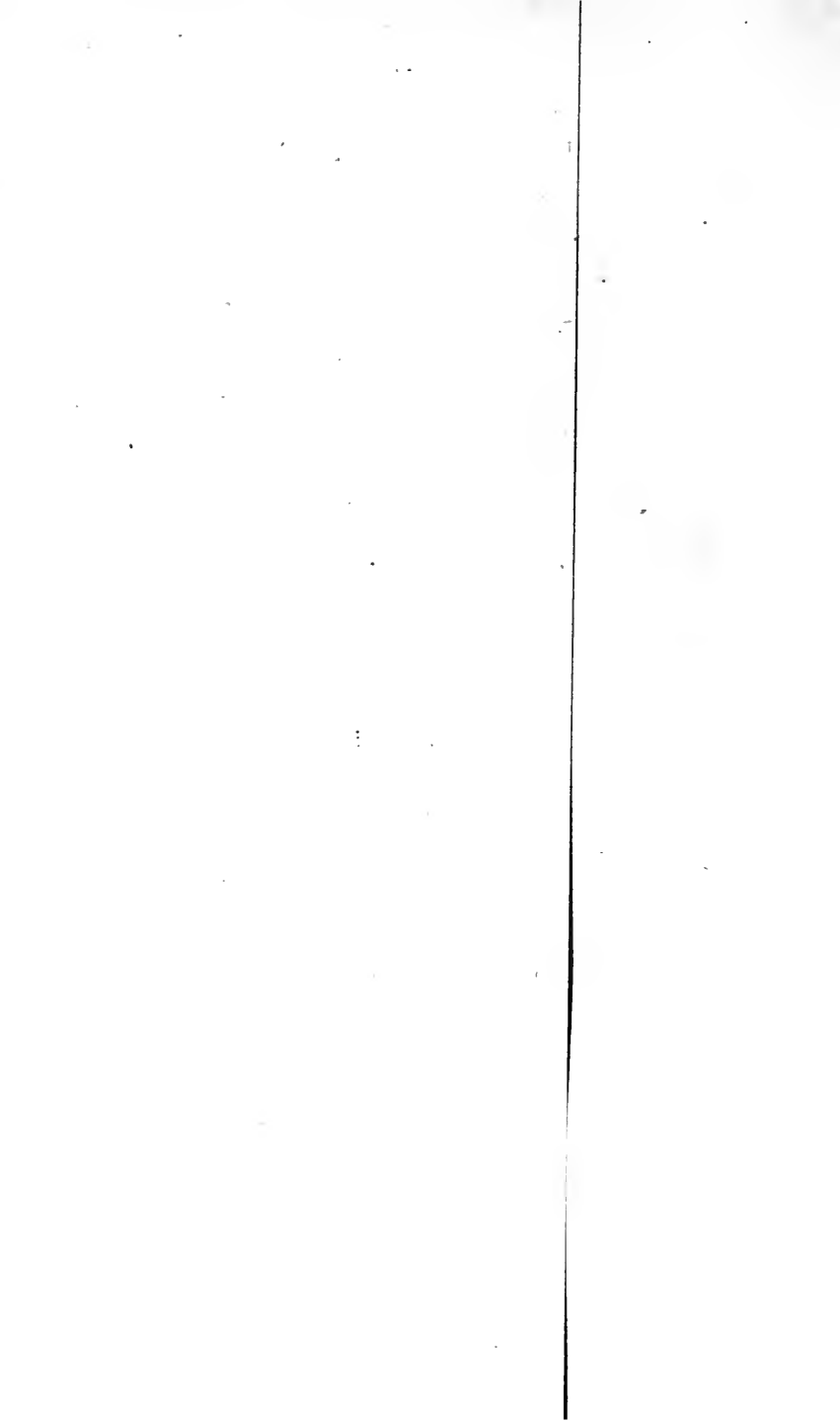
DUTIES ON CORN imported, by 31 Geo. III. c. 31
44 Geo.

*N.B. The Warehousing of Corn without payment of duty per
that time, those specified under*

SPECIES.	Whenever the district prices at the port of importation were :	
	For corn from Ireland* or the British Colonies or Plantations in North America.	For Corn from other parts of the world.
Wheat . . .	Under 48s. per quarter . . . at or above 48s., but under 52s. . . at or above 52s.	Under 50s. . . at or above 50s., but at or above 54s.
Rye, pease, and beans .	Under 32s. per quarter . . . at or above 32s., but under 35s. . . at or above 35s.	Under 34s. . . at or above 34s., but at or above 37s.
Barley, beer, or bigg, and Indian corn.	Under 24s. per qr. for barley . at or above 24s., but under 26s. . at or above 26s.	Under 25s. for barley . at or above 25s., but at or above 27s.
Oats . . .	Under 16s. per quarter . . . at or above 16s., but under 17s. . at or above 17s.	Under 17s. . . at or above 17s., but at or above 18s.
Wheatmeal or flour . .	If wheat is under 48s. per qr. ditto at or above 48s., but } under 52s. } ditto at or above 52s.	If wheat is under 50s. ditto at or above 50s., but under 54s. ditto at or above 54s.
Oatmeal . .	Under 15s. per boll . . . at or above 15s., but under 16s. . at or above 16s.	under 16s. per boll at or above 16s., but at or above 17s.

Malt, and all ground corn, except wheatmeal or flour and
prohibited to be imported.

* See Regulations as to Ireland, from 15 April 1802 by 42 Geo. III. c.



foreign parts at the low duty—but by 33 Geo. III. c. 65, (1793) exportation (except of warehoused foreign corn) might be prohibited whenever the general average prices were higher than those under which the first low duty was chargeable on corn *from Ireland or the Colonies*. The importation and entry from the warehouses at the second low duty might be permitted whenever the average price of any corn or of oatmeal, was higher than that fixed for admission from foreign countries at the first low duty. The privilege for importation to continue in force for 3 months.

Duties on Importation.—See the annexed table.

Export.

The Export was prohibited of corn, or meal, flour, malt, bread or biscuit made therefrom, when British corn was at or above the following sums, per qr.—wheat 46s., rye, pease and beans, 30s., barley, beer, or bigg, 23s., oats* 15s.

Foreign corn, meal or flour, having been entered for home use, either on importation or from the warehouse, or malt, meal or flour, made of such foreign corn, could not be exported from any port at such time as British articles of the same sort were not allowed to be exported from the same port.

Bounties on British Corn, &c., exported.

When the prices were under.		The Bounties allowed were.	
	s.		s. d.
For wheat	44	For wheat	<i>per qr.</i> 5 0
		“ wheatmeal	<i>per cwt.</i> 1 3
		“ wheatflour and biscuit . .	<i>per cwt.</i> 1 6
Rye	28	Rye	<i>per qr.</i> 3 0
		Rye meal and flour	<i>per cwt.</i> 0 9
Barley, beer or bigg	22	Barley, beer or bigg, and malt made therefrom . .	<i>per qr.</i> 2 6
		Do. meal . .	<i>per cwt.</i> 0 10

* By 33 Geo. III. c. 65. (1793), the exportation of oatmeal was to be no longer governed by the price of oats, but whenever oatmeal should be under 13s. per boll, the bounty was to be 1s. 6d. per cwt., and exportation not to be permitted when the price was at or above 14s. per boll.

	s.		s.	d.
Oats*	14	{ Oats . . . per qr.	2	0
		{ Oatmeal . per cwt.	1	0

No debenture to be granted for the bounty on any corn, malt, meal, flour, or biscuit, exported from any port during the time that foreign articles of the same sort were allowed to be imported into such port at the low duty.

1792, 1793. By order in council of 9th Nov. 1792, the export of wheat or flour was prohibited until 1 March 1793. The 33 Geo. III. c. 3, ratified this order, and authorized His Majesty to prohibit, at any time during the session, the exportation of corn, meal, flour, bread, biscuit and potatoes, and to permit the import of corn, meal and flour at the low duty.

1795. 35 Geo. III. c. 4. His Majesty was permitted, from 13 Feb. 1795, until the expiration of six weeks from the commencement of the next Session of Parliament, whatever might be the average price, to prohibit the export of any corn, meal, flour, bread, biscuit and malt (except foreign corn from the warehouse), and to permit the import in British and neutral vessels, and also the entry from the warehouse, of the same articles, free of duty. *The import at the second low duty*

* See Note, p. 16.

previously permitted by sundry orders in council, commencing 1 October, 1794.

1796. 36 Geo. III. c. 3. All the provisions of the last-mentioned act continued until the expiration of six weeks from the commencement of the next session.

36 Geo. III. c. 21. Bounties granted (for the first time) on corn imported at certain ports in British or neutral vessels, from 24 Sept. 1795, to 30 Sept. 1796, (see note 7, appendix,) viz.—

Wheat and flour from any port of Europe, south of Cape Finisterre, from the Mediterranean or Africa.

20s. on every qr. of wheat,	$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Until the quantity of} \\ \text{such wheat and flour} \\ \text{together amounts} \\ \text{to 400,000 qrs.} \end{array} \right.$
weighing not less than 440lb.	
16s. do. do. 424lb.	
6s. on every cwt. of wheat-flour	

Wheat and flour from other parts of Europe (not British dominions).

15s. on every qr. of wheat weigh-	$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{until the quan-} \\ \text{tity amounts} \\ \text{to 500,000} \\ \text{qrs.} \end{array} \right.$
ing not less than 440lb.	
12s. do. do. 424lb.	
4s. 6d. on every cwt. of wheat	
flour	

Wheat and flour from the British Colonies, or the United States of America.

20s. on every qr. of wheat,	$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{until the quan-} \\ \text{tity amounts} \\ \text{to 500,000} \\ \text{qrs.} \end{array} \right.$
weighing not less than 440lb.	
16s. do. do. 424lb.	
6s. on every cwt. of wheat	
flour	

On wheat and flour exceeding the quantities to which the before-mentioned Bounties are limited.

10s. on every quarter of wheat weighing not
 less than 440lb.
 8s. do. do. do. 424lb.
 3s. on every cwt. of wheat flour . . .

Indian corn and meal.

5s. 0d. for every qr. of corn	}	until the quantity to-
1s. 6d. cwt. of meal		gether amounts to
		500,000 qrs.
3s. 0d. for every qr. of corn	}	exceeding the limited
1s. 0d. cwt. of meal		quantity of 500,000
		qrs.

Rye.

10s. for every qr. weighing not less than 400lb. until
 the quantity amounts to 100,000 qrs.
 6s. for every qr. exceeding the limited quantity of
 100,000 qrs.

N.B. On warehoused corn delivered out within
 three months, three-fifths of the bounty granted
 on the importations from the Mediterranean,
 allowed.

2½ cwt. of wheat-flour deemed equal to 1 qr. of
 wheat, and 3½ cwt. of Indian meal to 1 qr. of
 Indian corn.

1797. 37 Geo. III. c. 7. All the provisions of
 35 Geo. III. c. 4., further continued until the expi-
 ration of six weeks from the commencement of the
 next session of Parliament ; but by c. 83, they

ceased from 16 June, 1797, so far as regards barley, beer or bigg, pease, beans and oats, and meal, flour, bread, biscuit, and malt, made therefrom. None of these articles entered for exportation before 5 Feb. 1798, were to receive bounty.

1798. 38 Geo. III. c. 10. All the provisions of 35 Geo. III. c. 4, relating to the export and import of wheat and rye, and of meal, flour, bread, biscuit and malt made therefrom, were further continued, viz. for exportation until the expiration of six weeks from the commencement of the next session, and for importation until 31 Dec. 1797.

1799. 39 Geo. III. c. 87. From 12 July 1799, until the expiration of six weeks from the commencement of the next session of Parliament, His Majesty was authorized, whatever might be the general average, to prohibit the export of any corn or meal, flour, bread, biscuit or malt made thereof (except warehoused foreign corn) and to permit the import in British and neutral ships, and also the entry from the warehouse, duty free. Continued (with exceptions regarding the export to Ireland) by successive acts during the war.

1800. 39 and 40 Geo. III. c. 25. The use of wheat, or of wheat-meal and flour, in making starch, prohibited until 1st October, 1800.

39 and 40 Geo. III. c. 29, 35, and 53. Bounties were granted on the importation of corn in British and neutral ships into certain ports, until 1st October, 1800, [see note 7, appendix] viz.

When the average prices in all England were less pr. qr. than		
Wheat 90s.	A bounty on each quarter equal to the difference between the actual average prices and the preceding sums, allowed.	On importations from any port of Europe, south of Cape Finisterre, the port of Archangel, the Mediterranean, Africa, any British colony in America or the United States.
Wheat 85		On importations from the Baltic, Germany, or any port north of the Texel.
Oats . 40		On importations from any port of Europe, the Mediterranean, Africa, the British colonies in America and the United States. (Each bushel to be 36lb and upwards).
Rye . . 65		From any place.

Flour 100s.—for wheat, a bounty equal to the difference between such average price and 100s. on every sack of 280lb from the British colonies or the United States of America; and for every such sack from any other place, a bounty equal to four-fifths of the bounty

which would have been payable on a quarter of wheat imported from such country at that time.

A bounty was also allowed on rice imported.

1801. 41 Geo. III. c. 3. The use of corn in distilling or making of starch was prohibited until 1st January 1802.

41 Geo. III. c. 10. Bounties granted on the importation of foreign corn, in British or neutral ships into certain ports, from 1st December, 1800, to 1st October, 1801, [see note 7, appendix] viz.

On	For every quarter		per qr.
Wheat	weighing 424lb or upwards	} A bounty allowed equal to the sum by which the average prices of foreign wheat, barley, rye, oats, peas, and beans in London, in the third week after im- portation, should be less than	100s.
Barley . . .	352		50
Rye . . .	408		65
Oats . . .	264		40
Pease . . .			75
Beans . . .			50

Indian corn or maize, for every quarter weighing 408lb, which should not upon the first public sale thereof by auction produce 55s., a bounty equal to the sum by which the actual price of each quarter so sold was less than 55s.

Wheat flour, (except American flour) and upon barleymeal, ryemeal, oatmeal, and Indian meal, the same sums as were allowed on wheat, barley, rye, oats, and Indian corn, allowing 280lb of

wheat flour, 196lb of barley meal, 224lb of rye meal, 176lb of oatmeal, and 364lb of Indian meal to be equal to one quarter of the respective species of corn unground.

Superfine wheat flour from America, producing upon the first sale thereof by auction less than 70s. per barrel of 196lb, a bounty on every barrel equal to the sum by which the actual price of each barrel so sold was less than 70s.; when it did not produce by sale 68s. per barrel, a bounty equal to the sum by which the actual price of each barrel so sold was less than 68s. *But by 41 Geo. III., (U.K.) c. 13, 24th March, 1801, the bounty was to be allowed as follows:—*For every barrel imported in any ship, cleared out from any port in America, between 12th November 1800, and 10th January 1801, and sold within two months after importation, a bounty equal to the sum by which the actual price of each barrel so sold was less than 80s.; when it did not produce by sale 78s., a bounty equal to the sum by which the actual price of each barrel so sold was less than 78s.; and on every barrel imported in like manner, between 10th January and 25th March 1801, and sold within two months after importation, a bounty equal to the sum by which the actual price of each barrel so sold was less than 90s.; when it did not produce by sale 88s., a bounty equal to the sum by which the actual price of each barrel so sold was less than 88s.

A bounty was also allowed on rice imported.

1802. 42 Geo. III. c. 35. This Act regulates the corn intercourse between Great Britain and Ireland from 15th April 1802, by allowing the export from one country to the other, of corn or grain of native growth, or meal and flour made thereof, whenever the averages should be under the prices at which corn might be imported into Great Britain and Ireland respectively at the low duties from foreign parts. *Continued by subsequent Acts till 25th March 1808, previously to which date, however, the Act 46 Geo. III. c. 97, (1806) was passed, allowing the free interchange of corn between the two countries at all times.*

1804. 44 Geo. III. c. 109, from 15th November. By this Act, the regulating prices for importation, exportation, and for the allowance of bounty, as fixed by 31 Geo. III. c. 30, were altered according to the following statements. The other provisions by former corn laws were continued. The corn intercourse with Ireland to be regulated by 42 Geo. III. c. 35.

Duties on Importation, see table annexed.

Export.

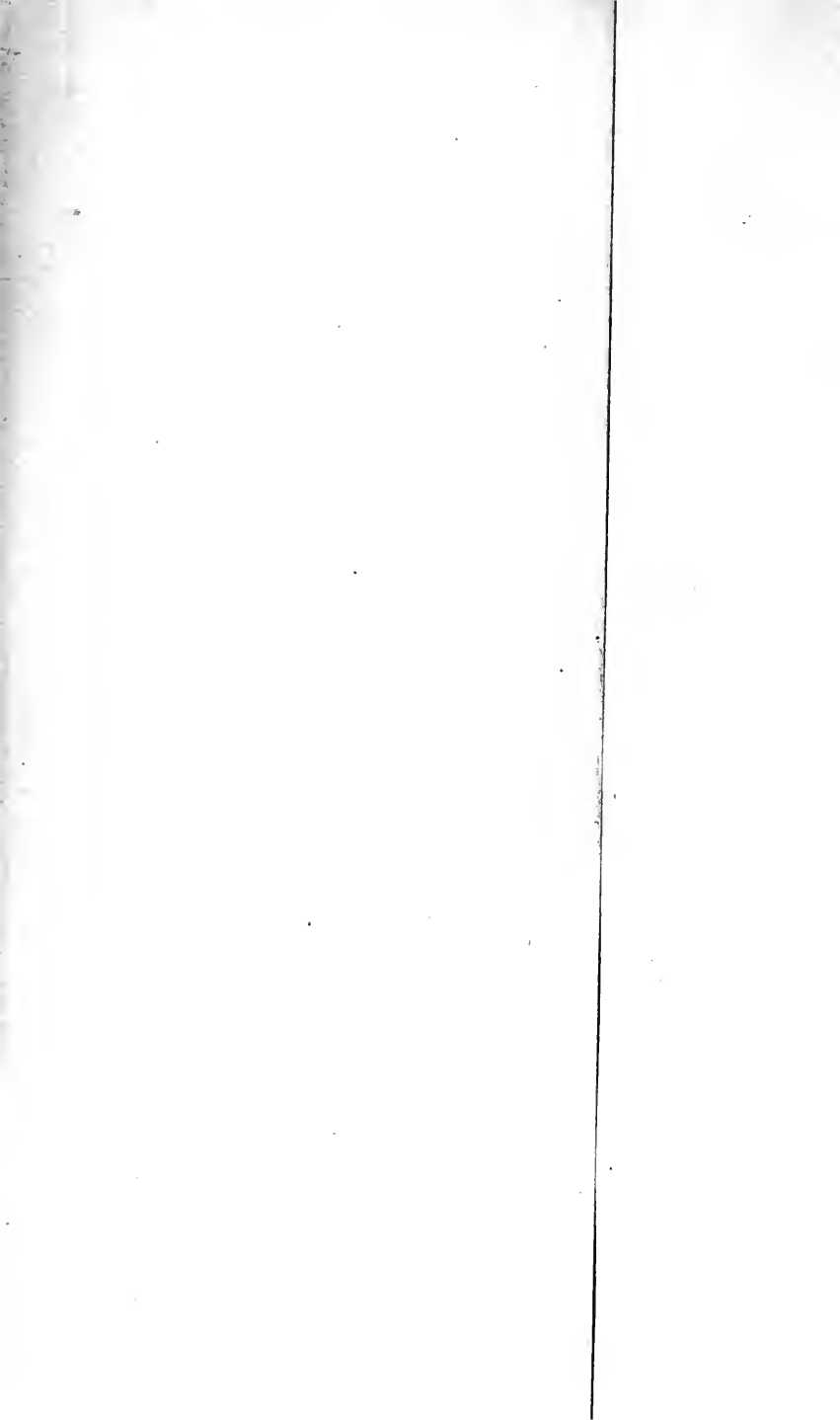
The export was prohibited when the prices* were above the following sums per quarter ; wheat

* For the 12 maritime districts of England and Wales, by 45 Geo. III. c. 86 (1805).

Duties on Corn imported by 44 Geo. III. c. 1

N.B. The Warehousing of Corn without payment of duty at that time, those specified

SPECIES.	When the district prices at the port of importation, take Geo. 3. c. 30. [but the 45 Geo. 3. c. 86. directs that for the 12 maritime districts of England and Wales]	
	For corn from the British colonies, or plantations in North America.	For corn from
Wheat . . .	Under 53s. per qr. At or above 53s. but under 56s. At or above 56s.	Under 63s. per qr. At or above 63s. but under 66s. At or above 66s.
Rye, Pease, & Beans	Under 35s. per qr. At or above 35s. but under 37s. At or above 37s.	Under 42s. per qr. At or above 42s. but under 44s. At or above 44s.
Barley, beer, or bigg, and Indian corn.	Under 26s. per qr. for barley At or above 26s. but under 28s. At or above 28s.	Under 31s. 6d. per qr. At or above 31s. 6d. but under 33s. At or above 33s.
Oats . . .	Under 17s. per qr. At or above 17s. but under 18s. At or above 18s.	Under 21s. per qr. At or above 21s. but under 22s. At or above 22s.
Wheat meal, or Flour .	If wheat is under 53s per qr. At or above 53s. but under 56s. At or above 56s.	If wheat is under 63s per qr. At or above 63s. but under 66s. At or above 66s.
Oatmeal	Under 16s. 6d. per boll . . . At or above 16s. 6d. but under 17s. 4d. } At or above 17s. 4d.	Under 20s. per boll . . . At or above 20s. but under 21s. 4d. } At or above 21s. 4d.
Malt, and all ground corn, except wheatmeal or flour and oatmeal prohibited.		



54s. ; rye, pease, and beans, 35s. ; barley, beer, or bigg, 31s. ; oats, 19s. But by 45 Geo. III. c. 86, no corn, grain, malt or flour, was to be exported from any district, when the price in such district in the preceding week was at or above the import rates.

A small ad-valorem duty on the export of corn, (in common with other articles of merchandize), of 10s. or 20s. per cent. according to the place to which exported, was laid on in 1803, and received various additions during the war, until it amounted, immediately previous to the repeal of the export duty on corn in 1814, to £2. 5s. or £6 per cent.

Bounties on exportation to foreign countries.

When the prices* were at or under		The Bounties allowed were	
			s. d.
For wheat . .	48	For wheat. . . . per qr.	5 0
		.. wheat meal per cwt.	1 3
		.. wheat flour, biscuit, &c. . . . per cwt.	1 6
.. rye . . .	32	.. rye per qr.	3 0
		.. ryemeal or flour per cwt.	0 9
.. barley, beer, or bigg . .	28	.. barley, beer, or bigg, or malt made therefrom per qr.	2 6
		.. ditto meal per cwt.	0 10
.. Oats . . .	16	.. oats per qr.	2 0
		.. oatmeal per cwt.	1 0

* See note, page 24.

1806. 46 Geo. III. c. 97, from 16th July. All bounties and duties payable on the interchange of corn between Great Britain and Ireland to cease, which interchange might take place whatever might be the average price, subject only to the regulations attaching to goods removed coast-ways. (The corn to be of native growth, 47 Geo. III. ses. 1. c. 7.)

1814. 54 Geo. III. c. 69, from 17th June. Corn, grain, meal and flour, (bread and biscuit added by treasury order,) to be exported at all times without payment of duty, and without receiving any bounty.

1815. 55 Geo. III. c. 26, from 23rd March. Foreign and colonial corn, meal or flour, might at all times be imported, and warehoused, without payment of duty ; but could only be taken out of warehouse for home consumption, or entered for the like purpose on importation, whenever the prices of British corn should be at or above the following sums, and then *duty free*. [See note 8, appendix.]

	For corn of the British colonies in North America.	For corn not of the British Colonies in North America.
Wheat . . .	67 <i>s. per. qr.</i>	80 <i>s. per. qr.</i>
Rye, pease and beans	44	53
Barley, beer or bigg	33	40
Oats . . .	22	27

No description of ground corn was prohibited by this act; but see 1 and 2, Geo. IV. c. 87. (1821.)*

The average prices were to be made, as heretofore, in quarterly periods; viz. 15th Feb. 15th May, 15th August, and 15th Nov. in each year, which prices determined the admission to or exclusion from home consumption, for the following three months, until the publication of the next quarterly average; but when the average prices for the six weeks immediately succeeding the termination of the quarterly periods should fall below the regulating prices, the home consumption of corn, imported from ports between the rivers Eyder and Bidassoa, both inclusive, was to be suspended until the next average for the whole quarter should have been ascertained.

1817. 57 Geo. III. c. 27, from 1st June. Buck wheat, (an article upon which no specific rate of duty had existed since 1782,) was subjected to a duty of 10s. *per. qr.*, but not being placed under

* Indian corn admitted to consumption, by practice, at the same times as barley, until 15th February 1826, from which time it was treated by the officers of customs as an unenumerated article, and charged at £10 per cent. *ad-valorem*. The act 9 Geo. IV. c. 60, (1828,) again brought this article under the Corn Laws.

the operation of the Corn Laws, the entry for home consumption was permitted at all times. The duty increased on 25th March 1824, (4 Geo. IV. c. 69.) to 14s. per quarter, and continued at that rate, by 6 Geo. IV. c. 111; but by the Corn Act of 1828, buck wheat was considered as corn, and subjected to the same duties as barley.

1821. 1 and 2 Geo. IV. c. 87. No malt nor ground corn, except wheat meal or flour, and oatmeal, to be imported.

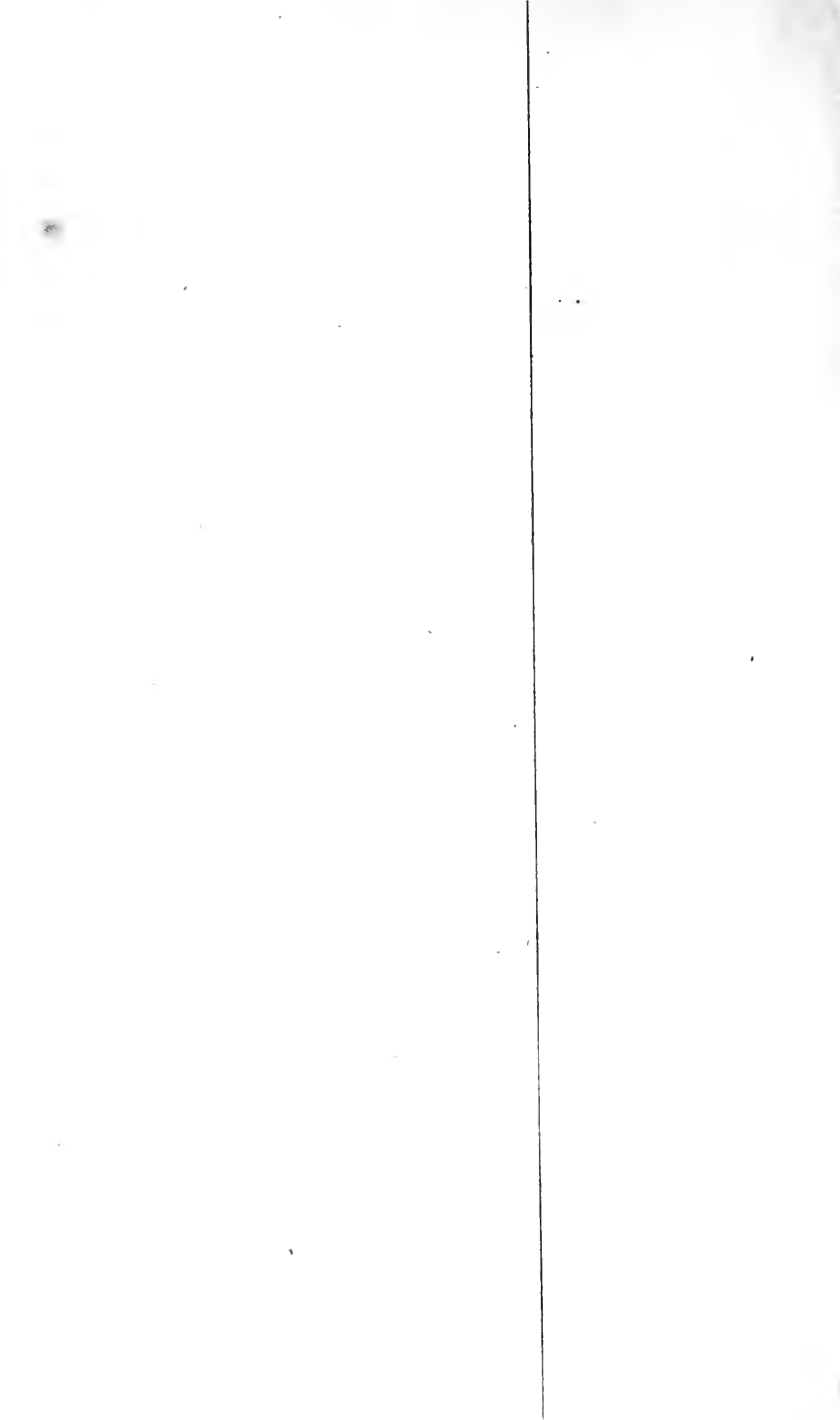
1822. 3 Geo. IV. c. 60. This Act provided that as soon as wheat should have been admitted for consumption, under the 55 Geo. III. c. 26, the scale of prices at which the entry for consumption of foreign and colonial corn was permitted by that Act was to cease,* and thereafter, foreign and colonial corn, meal and flour, might be entered for home consumption, whenever the average prices of the several sorts of British corn should, respectively, be at or above the following sums :

	For corn of the British colonies or plantations in North America.	For corn not of the British colonies or plantations in North America.
Wheat	59s. <i>per qr.</i>	70s. <i>per qr.</i>
Rye, pease and beans	39	46
Barley, beer or bigg	30	35
Oats	20	25

* This did not, however, take place for *foreign* wheat, the average price remaining under 80s. during the continuance of

TABLE OF DUTIES payable

SPECIES.	From the British Colon tations in North A
	When the average British corn sh
Wheat . . .	Under 67 <i>s.</i> per qua at or above 67 <i>s.</i> , but at or above 71 <i>s.</i> .*
Rye, pease, and beans .	Under 44 <i>s.</i> per qr. at or above 44 <i>s.</i> , bu at or above 46 <i>s.</i>
Barley, beer, or bigg, (and Indian corn.)	Under 33 <i>s.</i> per qr. at or above 33 <i>s.</i> , 35 <i>s.</i> 6 <i>d.</i> . at or above 35 <i>s.</i> 6 <i>d.</i> . . .
Oats . . .	Under 22 <i>s.</i> 6 <i>d.</i> per at or above 22 <i>s.</i> 6 <i>d.</i> der 24 <i>s.</i> . at or above 24 <i>s.</i> .
Wheatmeal or flour .	If wheat is under 6 ditto at or above under 71 <i>s.</i> . ditto at or above 71
Oatmeal .	Oats under 22 <i>s.</i> 6 <i>d.</i> ditto at or above but under 24 <i>s.</i> at or above 24 <i>s.</i> .
	Buck wheat, subje Malt, and all groun ^{gc}
	* Wheat of the Brit lated after 22 June, 18



On admission to consumption, either under this act, should it come into operation, or in the intermediate time under the 55 Geo. III. c. 26, the rates of duty specified in the annexed table were to be paid.

The following special provision was made for corn, warehoused before 13th May 1822.—Such corn, meal and flour, might be taken out of warehouse for home consumption, whenever the average prices of British corn should, respectively, reach the sums above enumerated,* on payment of the duties contained in the annexed table, or when admissible by the 55 Geo. III. c. 26, duty free as heretofore.

the Act of 1822; but on 15th May 1825, the quarterly average being above 67s. the regulating prices for *colonial* wheat, by 55 Geo. III., ceased, and those by 3 Geo. IV. came into operation.

* But admitted unconditionally, at certain duties, from 15th June 1825. See 6 Geo. IV. c. 65.

1824. 5 Geo. IV. c. 70. Flour permitted to be substituted for any foreign wheat in warehouse, imported before 13th May 1822, in the proportion of 196lb. of flour to every 5 bushels of wheat.

1825. 6 Geo. IV. c. 64, (*temporary*). The prohibitions and restrictions upon the importation of wheat, the produce of the British possessions in North America, and the duties payable thereon, under the Acts of 1815 and 1822, were suspended from 22nd June 1825, until the end of the then next session of Parliament, during which period such wheat might be entered for home consumption, whatever might be the average price of British corn, on payment of a duty of 5s. per quarter.—*(The provisions of this Act expired July, 1827. Colonial corn from that time was admitted under 7 & 8 Geo. IV. c. 57, and 9 Geo. IV. c. 60.)*

6 Geo. IV. c. 65, (*temporary*). By this Act, any foreign corn, grain or wheat flour (not of the British colonies in North America), which was secured in warehouse before 13th May 1822, was allowed to be taken out for home consumption between 15th June, and 15th August 1825, on payment of the following duties: wheat, 10s. per quarter; rye, pease, and beans, 6s. 6d. per quarter; barley, 5s. per quarter; oats, 3s. 6d. per quarter; flour, 2s. 10d. per cwt.

1826. 5 Geo. IV. c. 74, which took effect from 1st January, established the imperial measure.

7 Geo. IV. c. 70, (*temporary*). The stock of corn and flour warehoused on or before 2nd May 1826, was permitted to be entered for home consumption between 31st May, and 16th August, 1826, on payment of the following rates of duty : wheat, 12s. per quarter ; rye, pease, and beans, 8s. per quarter ; barley, 6s. per quarter ; oats, 4s. per quarter ; wheatmeal or flour, 3s. 3d. per cwt. *

7 Geo. IV. c. 71, (*temporary*). His Majesty was authorized to admit, by Order in Council, to home consumption, until the 1st January 1827, or for six weeks after the commencement of the then next ensuing session of Parliament, if Parliament should not then be sitting, any quantity of wheat or wheatflour, warehoused since 2nd May 1826, not exceeding 500,000 quarters, on payment of such duty as should be declared in the Order in Council.

(*N.B. No wheat or flour was admitted under this authority.*)

Order in Council, Sept. 1. The prices of certain descriptions of corn, owing to a deficient

* These are the high rates of duty by the 3rd Geo. IV. c. 60, 1822. The object of this temporary Law was to suspend the operation of the Act of 1815, as far as regards the stock of corn in warehouse on 2nd May 1826.

crop, having at that date reached the sums fixed by the Act of 1815 for their admission to home consumption, the entry for that purpose was permitted, of oats, oatmeal, rye, pease, and beans, whether warehoused or otherwise, bond being given for the payment of the following rates of duty, in case Parliament should authorise the receipt thereof: viz., oats, 2s. per quarter; oatmeal, 2s. 2*d.* per boll; rye, pease, and beans, 3s. 6*d.* per quarter. This Order in Council was to continue in force for forty days, from the day of the next meeting of Parliament, unless Parliament should make provision to the contrary. *

1826. Treasury Order, 18th November. The quarterly averages on 15th November, for oats and pease, being such as to authorize the entry thereof for home consumption, under the 55 Geo. III. c. 26, at the duty fixed by 3 Geo. IV. c. 60, directions were given by the Lords of the Treasury, on the 18th November, that the duties due under the law (viz. 6s. per qr. for oats, and 7s.

* The object of this Order was to anticipate the operation of the Act of 1815, which could not legally take effect until 15th November 1826, when the quarterly averages would be declared; and the admission of the articles in question to entry for consumption, would be allowed only in case those averages were at or above the sums at which consumption was permitted by that Act.

for pease,) should not be demanded, but that bond should continue to be taken under the order in council of 1st September.

7 Geo. IV. sess. 2. c. 3. (*temporary*.) All persons concerned in issuing and acting under the order in council of September 1st, were indemnified; and the several duties for which bond had been given, were directed to be paid. Permission was also granted for the entry for home consumption, in the United Kingdom and Isle of Man, of oats, oatmeal, rye, pease, and beans, until 15th February 1827, at the same duties as by the order in council.

1827. 7 and 8 Geo. IV. c. 57, (*from 2nd July, 1827, to continue in force until 1st May 1828.*) Corn, meal, or flour, from any foreign country, which had been warehoused or reported inwards to be warehoused on or before 1st July 1827; and corn, meal, or flour, imported from the British possessions out of Europe, before 1st May 1828, permitted to be entered for home consumption, on payment of the duties undermentioned; but no higher duties were to be charged than would have been payable if this act had not passed.

The weekly average prices for the regulation of the duty, (taken in the manner directed by this

act,) were directed to be published in the London Gazette, and a certificate thereof to be transmitted to the officers of the Customs, at each port of the United Kingdom, weekly. The duty chargeable to be governed, at each port, by the average prices contained in the last certificate received.

Rates of duty on corn, imported from any foreign country, and warehoused or reported inwards to be warehoused prior to 1st July 1827.

Whenever the prices were	the duty to be		
	s.	d.	
For wheat 62s. and under 63s. . . .	20	8	} per Impl. quarter.
Barley 33s. and under 34s. . . .	12	4	
Oats 25s. and under 26s. . . .	9	3	
Rye, pease and beans, 36s. and under 37s. . . .	15	6	

And in respect of every integral shilling, or any part thereof, by which the prices should be under 62s. for wheat, 33s. for barley, 25s. for oats, 36s. for rye, pease and beans, the above rates of duty were to be increased by 2s. for wheat, and 1s. 6d. for other sorts of corn.

And in respect of every integral shilling, by which the price should exceed those sums, the above rates of duty to be decreased by 2s. for wheat, and 1s. 6d. for other sorts of corn, until the prices should be

For wheat, at or above . . .	72s.	} when the duty was to be 1s. per qr. on each sort.
Barley ditto. . . .	41	
Oats ditto. . . .	31	
Rye, pease & beans, ditto. . .	46	

Rates of duty on corn, the produce of any British possession out of Europe, imported from thence before 1st May 1828.

Until the prices of British corn should be	the duty to be	
For Wheat	67s.	5 0
Barley	34s.	2 6
Oats	25s.	2 0
Rye, pease and beans . .	41s.	3 0

} per Impl.
quarter.

And whenever the prices should be at or above those sums, the duty to be 6*d.* per qr. on each description.

Indian corn, buck-wheat, beer or bigg—as barley.

Wheat meal and flour—per barrel of 196*lb.*, a duty equal to that payable on 38½ gallons of wheat (or $\frac{6}{10}$ of a qr.)

Oatmeal—for every quantity of 181½*lb.*, a duty equal to that payable on a qr. of oats.

Malt and all ground corn except of wheat or oats—prohibited for home consumption.

1828. 9 Geo. IV. c. 60. The following acts relating to corn—55 Geo. III. c. 26, (1815) 3 Geo. IV. c. 60, (1822,) and 7 and 8 Geo. IV. c. 58, (1827,) and so much also of 6 Geo. IV. c. 111 as imposes duties on buck-wheat and Indian

corn—repealed. From 15th July, 1828, corn, grain, meal and flour allowed to be entered, in the United Kingdom, for home consumption, at all times, upon the payment of duties, to be governed by weekly average prices of British corn, transmitted to the officers of customs at each port, which certificate is to regulate the rates of duty until the receipt of the next weekly certificate of prices. [See Note 9 Appendix.]

Duties on corn imported from any foreign country.

Wheat when the average price is	{	s.	s.	s. d.
		66 and under	67 the duty to be	20 8 <i>per qr.</i>
		67 . .	68 . .	18 8 . .
		68 . .	69 . .	16 8 . .
		69 . .	70 . .	13 8 . .
		70 . .	71 . .	10 8 . .
		71 . .	72 . .	6 8 . .
		72 . .	73 . .	2 8 . .
		at or above	73 . .	1 0 . .

And in respect of every shilling, or part thereof, by which such price shall be under 66s., the duty to be increased from 20s. 8*d.* by 1s.

Barley—when the price is 33s., and under 34s., the duty to be 12s. 4*d.* per qr.

And in respect of every shilling by which such

price is above 33s., such duty to be decreased by 1s. 6d., until the price shall be 41s.

When the price is at or above 41s., the duty to be 1s. .

When the price is under 33s., and not under 32s., the duty to be 13s. 10d.

And in respect of every shilling, or part thereof, by which such price is under 32s., the duty to be increased by 1s. 6d.

Oats.—When the price is 25s., and under 26s., the duty to be 9s. 3d. per quarter.

And in respect of every shilling by which such price is above 25s., such duty to be decreased by 1s. 6d., until the price shall be 31s.

When the price is at or above 31s., the duty to be 1s.

When the price is under 25s., and not under 24s., the duty to be 10s. 9d.

And in respect of each shilling, or part thereof, by which such price is under 24s., the duty to be increased by 1s. 6d.

Rye, Pease, and Beans.—When the price is 36s., and under 37s., the duty to be 15s. 6d. per quarter.

And in respect of every shilling by which such price is above 36s., such duty to be decreased by 1s. 6d., until the price shall be 46s.

When the price is at or above 46s., the duty to be 1s.

When the price is under 36s., and not under 35s., the duty to be 16s. 9d.

And in respect of every shilling, or part thereof, by which such price is under 35s., such duty to be increased by 1s. 6d.

Duties on Corn, the produce of, and imported from, any British Possession, out of Europe.

	When the Prices are		The Duty to be	
			s.	d.
Wheat . . .	under 67s.	per qr.	5	0
	at or above 67s.	.	0	6
Barley . . .	under 34s.	.	2	6
	at or above 34s.	.	0	6
Oats . . .	under 25s.	.	2	0
	at or above 25s.	.	0	6
Rye, Pease, and Beans	under 41s.	.	3	0
	at or above 41s.	.	0	6

Indian corn, or maize, buckwheat, beer or bigg, as barley.

Wheatmeal and flour, per barrel of 196lb., a duty equal to that payable on $38\frac{1}{2}$ gallons of wheat, (or $\frac{6}{10}$ of a quarter).

Oatmeal, for every quantity of $181\frac{1}{2}$ lb., a duty equal to that payable on a quarter of oats.

Prohibitions for Consumption.

Malt, in the United Kingdom.

All ground corn, except wheatmeal or flour,
and oatmeal, in Great Britain.

All ground corn, in Ireland.

See a list of the various authorities by which the importation, exportation, and consumption of corn have been regulated from the year 1660, stated under the different subjects, and referring to the preceding pages. Note 10, appendix.

And a statement of the average prices of wheat from 1670 to the present time, note 11, appendix.

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APPENDIX.

NOTE 1, page 1.

“IN this country corn was generally forbidden to be exported, even to Scotland, commonly, till the 13 Eliz., when it was allowed on payment of 1s. per qr. duty on wheat. By the 35 Eliz. the duty was raised to 2s. and the export price was fixed at 20s. per qr. The duty of 2s. was continued, and the price at which exportation was allowable raised by 1 James I. to 26s. 8d.; by 21 James I. to 32s.; by Cromwell’s ordinance in 1656 to 40s. with a duty of 1s. 1d.” *Jacob’s Report, 16th March, 1828.*

NOTE 2, page 1.

The ancient parliamentary subsidies were in all cases composed of two distinct parts, viz. tonnage and poundage, the former applicable to wine, and the latter to other goods, being originally 6d. and afterwards (1699) 1s. in the pound. The term *customs* was applied only to the duty on native productions exported.

NOTE 3, page 2.

In this act, entitled “an Act for the encouragement of trade,” it is stated that “the encouraging of tillage ought to be in an especial manner regarded and endeavoured:

and that the surest and most effectuallest means of promoting and advancing any trade, occupation or employment, are rendering it profitable to the users thereof; and great quantities of land within this kingdom for the present lying in a manner waste, and yielding little, might thereby be improved to considerable profit and advantage (if sufficient encouragement were given for the laying out of cost and labour on the same,) and thereby much more corn produced, great numbers of people, horses, and cattle employed, and other lands also rendered more valuable.”

NOTE 4, page 4.

Sums paid in bounty upon the exportation of corn from Great Britain, from 1697.

Year	£.	Year	£.	Year	£.	Year	£.
1697 ..	14,712	1724 ..	77,935	1751 ..	154,905	1778 ..	43,530
1698 ..	11,653	1725 ..	107,524	1752 ..	186,218	1779 ..	54,906
1699 ..	408	1726 ..	83,308	1753 ..	219,503	1780 ..	77,441
1700 ..	„	1727 ..	48,756	1754 ..	141,131	1781 ..	35,178
1701 ..	„	1728 ..	28,296	1755 ..	164,520	1782 ..	43,616
1702 ..	42,624	1729 ..	18,945	1756 ..	109,584	1783 ..	9,869
1703 ..	61,232	1730 ..	40,590	1757 ..	22,658	1784 ..	24,030
1704 ..	44,403	1731 ..	58,492	1758 ..	3,752	1785 ..	47,546
1705 ..	48,104	1732 ..	60,760	1759 ..	53,818	1786 ..	55,998
1706 ..	74,277	1733 ..	114,654	1760 ..	118,249	1787 ..	50,916
1707 ..	38,997	1734 ..	171,000	1761 ..	153,615	1788 ..	45,537
1708 ..	37,652	1735 ..	100,038	1762 ..	128,985	1789 ..	82,253
1709 ..	94,120	1736 ..	50,562	1763 ..	152,713	1790 ..	13,434
1710 ..	16,293	1737 ..	102,511	1764 ..	149,608	1791 ..	7,656
1711 ..	44,468	1738 ..	177,737	1765 ..	33,935	1792 ..	76,802
1712 ..	65,872	1739 ..	145,702	1766 ..	114,206	1793 ..	7,415
1713 ..	84,803	1740 ..	39,366	1767 ..	8,116	1794 ..	5,796
1714 ..	77,157	1741 ..	18,580	1768 ..	238	1795 ..	24
1715 ..	60,669	1742 ..	90,640	1769 ..	10	1796 ..	50
1716 ..	56,027	1743 ..	131,459	1770 ..	14,770	1797 ..	62
1717 ..	48,272	1744 ..	116,896	1771 ..	6,170	1798 ..	495
1718 ..	60,495	1745 ..	131,879	1772 ..	5	1799 ..	4,632
1719 ..	83,398	1746 ..	104,562	1773 ..	13	1800 ..	372
1720 ..	68,032	1747 ..	127,011	1774 ..	3,078	1801, 1802 ..	„
1721 ..	64,375	1748 ..	189,501	1775 ..	7,888	1803 ..	767
1722 ..	91,304	1749 ..	222,184	1776 ..	51,555	1804 ..	15,372
1723 ..	86,558	1750 ..	262,583	1777 ..	45,029	1807 ..	78
						1808 to 1814 } Nil. when they ceased }	

NOTE 5, page 4.

Imports and Exports of all descriptions of corn, from 1697 to 1814.

	Imports.	Exports.	Excess of Imports.	Excess of Exports.
	<i>qrs.</i>	<i>qrs.</i>	<i>qrs.</i>	<i>qrs.</i>
1697 to 1764 both inclusive, 68 years.	1,723,818	34,926,825		33,203,007
1765 to 1773 do. 9	3,151,020	1,468,092	1,682,928	—
1774 to 1791 do. 18	11,945,822	5,419,625	6,526,197	—
1792 to 1804 do. 13	18,577,612	1,832,515	16,745,097	—
1805 to 1814 do. 10				—
Omitting the free interchange with Ireland }	7,697,863	1,430,938	6,266,925	—

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NOTE 6, page 8.

In this law it is stated that “the several Acts heretofore made concerning the duties and bounties on the importation and exportation of corn, have greatly tended to the advancement of tillage and navigation ; yet, nevertheless, it having been of late years found necessary, on account of the small quantities of corn in hand and the shortness of the crops, to suspend the operation of those laws by temporary statutes, it was desirable that a permanent law should be passed, to render such temporary expedients unnecessary.”

NOTE 7, pages 18, 21, and 22.

Sums paid in bounty on the importation of corn into Great Britain :—

£.	£.
1796 . . 573,418	1802 . . 715,323
1797 . . 28,565	1803 . . 43,977
1798 . . 454	1804 . . 4,791
1799 . . 16	1805 . . 21,799
1800 . . 44,836	1807 . . 129
1801 . . 1,420,355	1810 . . 138

The following tables will shew the operation of this Act, and of the several temporary laws by which it was suspended, until its repeal in 1828.

Periods at which Foreign and Colonial Corn was admissible for home consumption, under Act 55 Geo. III. c. 26.			
Species.	From ports between the rivers Eyder and Bidassoa.	From other foreign ports.	From the British Colonies in North America.
Barley and Indian corn . . . }	15 Nov. 1816, to 26 June, 1819	15 Nov. 1816, to 15 Aug. 1819	15 Nov. 1816, to 15 Feb. 1820
	15 Nov. 1825, to 15 Feb. 1826	15 Nov. 1825, to 15 Feb. 1826	15 May, 1820, to 15 Nov. 1820 15 Feb. 1824, to 15 May, 1826 15 Nov. 1826, to 15 Nov. 1827
Beans	15 Feb. 1817, to 29 March, 1817	15 Feb. 1817, to 15 May, 1817	15 Nov. 1816, to 15 Feb. 1820
	15 May, 1818, to 15 May, 1819	15 May, 1818, to 15 May, 1819	15 Aug. 1820, to 15 Nov. 1820 15 Nov. 1825, to 15 Feb. 1826 15 Aug. 1826, to 15 Nov. 1827
Oats and Oatmeal .	15 Nov. 1816, to 15 Nov. 1817	15 Nov. 1816, to 15 Nov. 1817	15 May, 1815, to 15 Nov. 1815
	15 Feb. 1818, to 26 June, 1819	15 Feb. 1818, to 15 Aug. 1819	15 Aug. 1816, to 15 Nov. 1820
	15 Aug. 1820, to 23 Sep. 1820	15 Aug. 1820, to 15 Nov. 1820	15 May, 1823, to 15 Nov. 1823
	15 Aug. 1824, to 2 Oct. 1824	15 Aug. 1824, to 15 Nov. 1824	15 Feb. 1824, to 15 Nov. 1824
	15 Nov. 1826, to 27 Sep. 1827	15 Nov. 1826, to 15 Nov. 1827	15 Feb. 1825, to 15 Nov. 1827
Pease	15 Feb. 1817, to 21 June, 1817	15 Feb. 1817, to 15 Aug. 1817	15 Nov. 1816, to 15 Nov. 1820
	15 May, 1818, to 26 June, 1819	15 May, 1818, to 15 Aug. 1819	15 Feb. 1825, to 15 May, 1825
	15 Nov. 1825, to 31 Dec. 1825	15 Nov. 1825, to 15 Feb. 1826	15 Nov. 1825, to 15 May, 1826
	15 Nov. 1826, to 15 Feb. 1827	15 Nov. 1826, to 15 Feb. 1827	15 Aug. 1826, to 15 Aug. 1827
Rye, and Rye meal	15 Nov. 1816, to 20 Sep. 1817	15 Nov. 1816, to 15 Nov. 1817	15 Nov. 1816, to 15 Nov. 1819
	15 May, 1818, to 20 June, 1818	15 May, 1818, to 15 Aug. 1818	15 Aug. 1820, to 15 Nov. 1820
Wheat, and Wheat flour }	15 Nov. 1818, to 15 May, 1819	15 Nov. 1818, to 15 May, 1819	15 May, 1815, to 15 Nov. 1815
	15 Nov. 1816, to 20 Sep. 1817	15 Nov. 1816, to 15 Nov. 1817	15 Aug. 1816, to 15 Nov. 1819
	15 Feb. 1818, to 26 Sep. 1818	15 Feb. 1818, to 15 Feb. 1819	15 May, 1820, to 15 Nov. 1820
	15 Nov. 1818, to 15 Feb. 1819		Admissible at all times, under 3 Geo. IV. c. 60, from 15 May, 1825.

NOTE 8, page 26—(continued.)

Periods at which Foreign and Colonial Corn was admitted for home consumption, during the same period, under other authorities.	
Wheat and flour of the British Colonies, warehoused before 13 May, 1822	<div><div>Between 15 August and 15 November, 1823</div><div>Under</div><div><div>15 February, 1824, and 15 May, 1825</div><div>3 Geo. IV. c. 60.</div></div></div>
Foreign barley, ditto	<div><div>From 15 May, 1824</div></div>
The remaining stock of foreign corn, of every description	<div><div>Between 15 June, and 15 August, 1825</div><div>6 Geo. IV. c. 65.</div></div>
The corn deposited in warehouse, between 13 May, 1822, and 2 May, 1826	<div><div>Between 31 May, and 16 August, 1826</div><div>7 Geo. IV. c. 70.</div></div>
Colonial wheat	<div><div>From 22 June, 1825, to July, 1827</div><div>6 Geo. IV. c. 64.</div></div>
Oats, oat-meal, rye, pease, and beans.	<div><div>From 1 September, 1826, to 15 February, 1827</div><div>Order in council of 1 Sep. 1826, confirmed by 7 Geo. IV. sess. 2, c. 3.</div></div>
Foreign corn of all sorts, warehoused on or before 1 July, 1827; and colonial corn imported before 1 May, 1828	<div><div>From 1 July, 1827, to 1 May, 1828</div><div>7 and 8 Geo. IV. c. 57.</div></div>

*Quantities of Corn admitted to Home Consumption from the passing of the Act 55 Geo. III. c. 26.
(23rd March, 1815,) to the passing of 9 Geo. IV. c. 60, (15th July 1828.)*

Years.	Authorities.	Wheat. qrs.	Wheat of British Posses- sions. qrs.	Wheat flour. cwt.	Wheat flour of British Possessions. cwt.	Barley. qrs.	Barley of British Posses- sions. qrs.
1816	55 Geo. III. c. 26	201,786	—	81,512	8	14,789	—
1817	—	700,994	19,496	1,130,038	37,044	133,506	—
1818	—	1,380,381	48,738	595,785	24,276	696,079	170
1819	—	110,644	7,832	17,685	4,651	364,045	1018
1820	—	1,056	25,441	—	27,221	—	—
1821	—	—	2	—	24	—	—
1822	—	—	2	—	—	—	—
1823	—	51	—	—	—	23	—
..	3 Geo. IV. c. 60	—	10,652	—	5,196	—	—
1824	55 Geo. III. c. 26	914	—	—	—	—	—
..	3 Geo. IV. c. 60	—	14,829	—	3,320	39,405	—
1825	55 Geo. III. c. 26	—	25,186	—	12,624	271,381	—
..	3 Geo. IV. c. 60	—	25	—	—	—	—
..	6 Geo. IV. c. 64	—	98,377	—	—	—	—
..	6 Geo. IV. c. 65	374,017	515	88,477	—	—	—
1826	55 Geo. III. c. 26	—	—	—	—	305,324	—
..	3 Geo. IV. c. 60	—	—	—	775	—	—
..	6 Geo. IV. c. 64	—	29,079	—	—	—	—
..	7 Geo. IV. c. 70	268,900	—	64,531	—	27,317	—
1827	6 Geo. IV. c. 64	—	7,364	—	—	—	—
..	7 and 8 Geo. IV. c. 57	514,144	43,477	17,933	23,093	239,672	—
1828	—	697	992	—	668	49	—
..	Ground in the Isle of Man from foreign wheat, and charged as unenumerated goods at value	—	—	59,739	—	—	—

NOTE 8, Page 26, (continued.)

Years.	Authorities.	Oats.	Oats of British Possessions.	Rye.	Pease.	Pease of British Possessions.	Beans.
		<i>qrs.</i>	<i>qrs.</i>	<i>qrs.</i>	<i>qrs.</i>	<i>qrs.</i>	<i>qrs.</i>
1816	55 Geo. III. c. 26	76,295	—	10,253	—	—	—
1817	—	479,491	—	132,228	12,358	703	4,074
1818	—	991,559	—	79,221	59,690	2,335	115,823
1819	—	523,529	25	17,993	32,426	2,829	164,480
1820	—	727,108	6	—	13	74	3
1821	—	48	—	—	23	1	—
1822	—	534	—	—	1	—	1
1823	—	165	—	—	—	—	—
1824	—	619,850	—	—	—	—	—
1825	—	1,737	—	—	—	—	—
..	6 Geo. IV. c. 65	—	—	—	13,962	1,298	—
1826	55 Geo. III. c. 26	8,800	—	3,452	6,225	—	9,284
..	7 Geo. IV. c. 70	232,763	—	—	8,237	2,991	—
..	Order in Council of 1st. Sept. 1826. 7 Geo. IV. s. 2. c. 3.	—	—	4,259	1,718	—	11,506
1827	55 Geo. III. c. 26	944,256	—	63,002	49,883	—	115,626
..	7 and 8 Geo. IV. c. 57	1,851,538	372	14,814	10,208	411	49,491
1828	—	527	—	7,827	18,821	3,292	75,782
				—	—	26	83

NOTE 8, page 26. (continued).

Years.	Authorities.	Indian Corn.	Indian Meal.	Barley Meal.	Rye Meal.	Oat Meal.	Bean Meal.
1817	55 Geo. III. c. 26	grs. 2	cwt. 532	cwt. 1,234	cwt. 12,207	cwt. 1	cwt.
1818	—	1,411	—	4	10	Of B.P. 3	—
1819	—	26,738	1	—	—	—	—
1824	3 Geo. IV. c. 60	1,248	—	—	—	—	—
1825	55 Geo. III. c. 26	91	—	—	—	—	—
1826	—	1,108	—	—	—	—	—
	7 Geo. IV. c. 70	2,184	—	—	—	—	—
	Charged as Unenumerated Goods at Value	2,930	—	—	—	—	—
	Order in Council of 1st Sept. 1826, and 7	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Geo. IV. s. ii. c. 3	—	—	—	—	633	—
1827	—	—	—	—	—	699	—
	7 & 8 Geo. IV. c. 57	3,271	—	—	1	—	—
	Of British Possessions	197	—	—	—	—	—
	Charged as Unenumerated Goods at Value	145,943	230	—	—	—	—
	Of British Possessions	8	2	—	—	—	—
1828	—	15,740	—	—	—	—	—
	Of British Possessions	5	26	15	—	—	3,810
							Ground in the Isle of Man.

Buck Wheat.

Years.	Authorities.	grs.	Years.	Authorities.	grs.
1817	57 Geo. III. c. 27	751	1822	57 Geo. III. c. 27	9,573
1818	—	18,414	1823	—	8,018
1819	—	2,669	1824	— & 4 Geo. IV. c. 69	25,981
1820	—	4,346	1825	4 Geo. IV. c. 69	17,842
1821	—	11,474	1828	6 Geo. IV. c. 111	3,817
				7 & 8 Geo. IV. c. 57	5,175
				6 Geo. IV. c. 111	3,309
					8,144

NOTE 8, page 26. (*continued*).

SUMMARY.

Total of the Quantities admitted by	Wheat.	Wheat Flour.	Barley.	Oats.	Other Sorts of Corn.	Other Sorts of Meal.
55 Geo. III. c. 26 of British Possessions . . .	<i>qrs.</i> 2,395,826 126,697	<i>cwt.</i> 1,825,020 105,848	<i>qrs.</i> 1,785,156 1,188 39,405	<i>qrs.</i> 5,280,654 403	<i>qrs.</i> 753,949 10,642 1,248	<i>cwt.</i> 13,989 3
3 Geo. IV. c. 60 of British Possessions . . .	25,506	9,291	—	—	—	—
6 Geo. IV. c. 64, ditto	134,820	—	—	—	—	—
6 Geo. IV. c. 65 of British Possessions . . .	374,017 515	88,477	—	—	18,961	—
7 Geo. IV. c. 70 Order in Council of 1st Sept. 1826, con- firmed by 7 Geo. IV., s. ii. c. 3. . .	268,900	64,531	27,317	232,763	19,667	—
7 & 8 Geo. IV. c. 57 of British Possessions . . .	514,841 44,469	17,933 23,761	239,721	944,256 257	228,511 109,093 3,515	1,332 1
57 Geo. III. c. 57, 4 Geo. IV. c. 69, & 6 Geo. IV. c. 111 Charged as Goods unenumerated at Value . of British Possessions . . .	— — —	59,739	—	—	116,204 164,613 13	— 4,055 28
Foreign	3,553,584	2,055,700	2,091,599	6,457,930	1,412,246	19,377
Of British Possessions . . .	332,007	138,900	1,188	403	14,170	31
Total	3,885,591	2,194,600	2,092,787	6,458,333	1,426,416	19,408

NOTE 9, page 36.

Quantities of corn admitted to Consumption from the passing of Act 9, Geo. IV. c. 60. (15th July, 1828.)

	Wheat.	Wheat of British Possessions.	Wheat Flour.	Wheat Flour of British Possessions.	Barley.	Barley of British Possessions.	Oats.	Oats of British Possessions.	Oatmeal.	Oatmeal of British Possessions.
	<i>qrs.</i>	<i>qrs.</i>	<i>cwt.</i>	<i>cwt.</i>	<i>qrs.</i>	<i>qrs.</i>	<i>qrs.</i>	<i>qrs.</i>	<i>cwt.</i>	<i>cwt.</i>
1828 from 15th July	789,252	14,908	51,720	14,214	217,491	—	13,536	580	1	—
1829	1,260,803	7,232	332,101	4,965	203,144	—	193,605	61	—	—
1830	1,494,898	46,419	515,788	48,132	521,108	—	898,765	1,224	2	520
1831	1,090,379	112,699	926,896	88,725	523,178	216	349,023	6,215	—	961
1832	165,545	163,964	56,833	105,147	72,577	97	2,121	748	1	290
1833	1,144	61,215	651	74,093	1,225	—	966	—	—	—
1834	263	45,631	91	65,212	11,036	—	55,430	—	3	—
1835	48	15,302	270	42,349	136,690	—	175,232	—	—	—
1836	972	18,583	239	36,656	110,005	—	96,881	—	21	—
1837	232,620	22,538	2,257	37,873	47,185	—	332,277	—	143	—
1838	1,715,771	7,740	311,914	76,381	8,192	—	11,001	4	4	—
1839	2,500,045	32	590,117	44,478	589,063	—	855,449	—	480	95
1840	2,020,144	4,704	935,975	381,840	619,801	—	510,071	—	765	5,836
	11,271,884	520,967	3,724,852	1,020,065	2,591,695	313	3,494,357	8,832	1,420	7,702
Average rates of duty paid . .	<i>s. d.</i> 6 0	<i>s. d.</i> 3 9	<i>s. d.</i> 2 2	<i>s. d.</i> 1 1	<i>s. d.</i> 4 8	<i>s. d.</i> 1 6	<i>s. d.</i> 6 5	<i>s. d.</i> 0 8	<i>s. d.</i> 3 7	<i>s. d.</i> 0 8

NOTE 9, page 36. (continued.)

	Rye.	Pease.	Pease of British Pos- sessions.	Beans.	Beans of British Pos- sessions.	Indian corn.	Indian corn of British Pos- sessions.	Buck-wheat
	<i>qrs.</i>	<i>qrs.</i>	<i>qrs.</i>	<i>qrs.</i>	<i>qrs.</i>	<i>qrs.</i>	<i>qrs.</i>	<i>qrs.</i>
1828 from 15th July	489	43,296	1,796	73,470	—	6,992	2	12,363
1829	65,398	34,073	1,460	61,032	—	22,682	7	15,307
1830	19,127	43,316	1,391	18,756	—	4,099	—	100
1831	56,920	59,330	612	18,019	—	63,139	1	6,742
1832	61	13,967	8	7,264	—	416	3	347
1833	1	17,985	11	6,028	—	6	1	2
1834	22	57,095	285	44,450	—	13	204	3
1835	3	24,405	650	69,711	—	22	337	1,291
1836	18	80,774	10	87,749	—	32	1,406	472
1837	19,556	87,327	7	108,274	—	368	359	298
1838	2,517	11,485	93	54,206	—	79	3,021	174
1839	152,298	168,962	279	123,204	—	12,012	2,357	1,912
1840	1,857	155,202	4,255	129,317	57	20,559	514	745
	318,267	797,217	11,057	801,480	57	130,419	8,212	39,756
Average rates of duty paid . . .	<i>s.</i> <i>d.</i> 3 1	<i>s.</i> <i>d.</i> 6 3	<i>s.</i> <i>d.</i> 1 4	<i>s.</i> <i>d.</i> 7 10	<i>s.</i> <i>d.</i> 0 6	<i>s.</i> <i>d.</i> 3 10	<i>s.</i> <i>d.</i> 1 1	<i>s.</i> <i>d.</i> 6 2

NOTE 9, page 36, (continued.)

Quantities of Wheat and Flour charged at each rate of duty.

Foreign.		Wheat.	Flour.	Of British Possessions.	Wheat.	Flour.
		<i>qrs.</i>	<i>cwt.</i>		<i>qrs.</i>	<i>cwt.</i>
When the rate of duty on Wheat was	£ s. d. per qr.	3,907,981	1,276,731	When the rate of duty on wheat was		
	0 1 0	2,788,277	835,406			
	0 2 8	1,994,102	518,897			
	0 6 8	783,280	238,592			
	0 10 8	548,348	466,432			
	0 13 8	298,677	213,707	£ s. d.		
	0 16 8	76,200	44,788			
	0 18 8	377,667	96,538	0 0 6 per qr.	129,858	426,809
	1 0 8	107,005	5,861	0 5 0	393,407	596,996
	1 1 8	13,664	5,940	Deduct over-entered, &c.		
	1 2 8	138,775	56,530		523,265	1,023,805
	1 3 8	37,329	2,070		2,298	3,740
	1 4 8	27,153	1,555			
	1 5 8	4,724	654		520,967	1,020,065
	1 6 8	1,882	690			
	1 7 8	134,275	1,377			
	1 8 8	61,649	101			
	1 9 8	13,955	756			
	1 10 8	1,496	87			
	1 11 8					
	1 12 8					
	and upwards }	2,946	1,273			
	Admitted ad valorem }	2,629	—			
	being damaged .. }					
	Duty free	71	350			
		11,322,085	3,768,335			
	Deduct over-entered, &c. . . }	50,201	43,483			
		11,271,884	3,724,852			

NOTE 10, page 39.

A List of the various Authorities by which the Importation, Exportation, and Consumption of Corn have been regulated from the year 1660, stated under the different subjects, and referring to the preceding pages.

Importation regulated, and duties imposed, by

	Page		Page		Page
12 Car. II. c. 4	. 1	31 Geo. III. c. 30	. 14	1 & 2 Geo. IV. c. 87	28
15 ——— c. 7	. 2	37 ——— c. 15	. 15	3 ——— c. 60	<i>ib.</i>
22 ——— c. 13	. 3	37 ——— c. 110	<i>ib.</i>	4 ——— c. 69	<i>ib.</i>
9 & 10 W. III. c. 23	<i>ib.</i>	43 ——— c. 70	<i>ib.</i>	6 Geo. IV. c. 64 & 65	30
2 & 3 Anne, c. 9	. <i>ib.</i>	44 ——— c. 53	<i>ib.</i>	7 ——— c. 70 & 71	31
3 & 4 ——— c. 5	. <i>ib.</i>	44 ——— c. 109	. 24	Order in Council of	
21 Geo. II. c. 2	. <i>ib.</i>	45 ——— c. 29	<i>ib.</i>	1st Sept. 1826	. <i>ib.</i>
13 Geo. III. c. 43	. 8	46 ——— c. 42	<i>ib.</i>	Treasury Order of	
15 ——— c. 1	. 10	49 ——— c. 98	<i>ib.</i>	18 Nov. 1826	. 32
19 Geo. III. c. 25	. 11	53 ——— c. 35	<i>ib.</i>	7 Geo. IV. s. ii. c. 3	33
22 ——— c. 66	. <i>ib.</i>	55 ——— c. 26	. 26	7 & 8 Geo. IV. c. 57	<i>ib.</i>
27 ——— c. 13	. 12	57 ——— c. 27	. 27	9 Geo. IV. c. 60	. 35

Importation permitted at the Low duties, or free for short periods, by

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30 Geo. II. c. 7, 9, 14	6	8 Geo. III. c. 2 & 3	7	33 Geo. III. c. 3	17
31 ——— c. 1	<i>ib.</i>	12 ——— c. 33	8	35 ——— c. 4	<i>ib.</i>
5 Geo. III. c. 31	. 7	13 ——— c. 1 & 2	<i>ib.</i>	36 ——— c. 3	18
6 ——— c. 3 & 4	<i>ib.</i>	23 ——— c. 1, &c.	12	37 ——— c. 7	19
7 ——— c. 4, &c.	<i>ib.</i>	30 ——— c. 1	14	38 ——— c. 10	20

The King authorised to permit Importation at the Low duties, or free when necessary, by

31 Geo. III. c. 30	. . p. 14	39 Geo. III. c. 87, continued	
33 ——— c. 65	. . 15	by subsequent Acts during	
		the War	. . . p. 20

The Law of 1815 suspended by

3 Geo. IV. c. 60	. . . p. 28	Order in Council, and 7 Geo.	
6 ——— c. 64 & 65	. 30	IV. s. ii. c. 3	. . p. 31 & 33
7 ——— c. 70 & 71	. 31	7 & 8 Geo. IV. c. 57	. 33

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36 Geo. III. c. 21, p. 18	39 & 40 Geo. III. c. 29, 35 & 53, p. 21
41 Geo. III. c. 10, p. 22.	

Corn Intercourse between Great Britain and Ireland, regulated by

31 Geo. III. c. 30 p. 14 (table)—42 Geo. III. c. 35, continued by subsequent Acts, p. 24—46 Geo. III. c. 97, p. 26.	
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NOTE 10, (*continued*).*Exportation regulated by*

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12 Car. II. c. 4	1	13 Geo. III. c. 43	9	44 Geo. III. c. 109	24
15 ——— c. 7	2	31 ——— c. 30	16	45 ——— c. 86	25
22 ——— c. 13	ib.	33 ——— c. 65	15-16		

Temporary prohibitions of exportation, by

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10 W. III. c. 3	4	32 Geo. II. c. 2 & 8	6	Order in Council, and	
8 Anne, c. 2	5	5 Geo. III. c. 32, con-		33 Geo. III. c. 3	17
14 Geo. II. c. 3	ib.	tinued by subsequent	35	—— c. 4	ib.
30 ——— c. 1	6	Acts	ib.	36 ——— c. 3	18
31 ——— c. 1	ib.	29 Geo. III. c. 58	13	37 ——— c. 7	19
		30 ——— c. 1	14	38 ——— c. 10	20

The King authorized to prohibit exportation when necessary, by

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31 Geo. III. c. 30	14	33 Geo. III. c. 65	15	39 Geo. III. c. 87, con-	
				tinued by subsequent	
				Acts during the war	20

Bounties on exportation, allowed by

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1 W. & Mary, c. 12	4	13 Geo. III. c. 43	9	31 Geo. III. c. 30	16
5 Anne, c. 29	5	20 ——— c. 31	12	33 ——— c. 65 (note)	16
				44 ——— c. 109	25

Bounties on exportation, suspended by

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11 W. III. c. 1	5	5 Geo. III. c. 31	7	23 Geo. III. c. 81	12
31 Geo. II. c. 1	6	8 ——— c. 1, con-		37 ——— c. 83	20
32 ——— c. 2 & 8	6	tinued by subsequent			
		Acts	ib.		

Bounties on exportation ceased by

54 Geo. III. c. 69, p. 26.

Duties on exportation taken off by

11 & 12 W. III. c. 20, continued by subsequent Acts, p. 5.
54 Geo. III. c. 69, p. 26.

Manner of ascertaining the average prices of corn, by

1 Jac. II. c. 19	29 Geo. III. c. 58	55 Geo. III. c. 26
2 Geo. II. c. 18	31 ——— c. 30	1 & 2 Geo. IV. c. 87
5 ——— c. 12	33 ——— c. 65	7 & 8 ——— c. 57 & 58
10 Geo. III. c. 39	44 ——— c. 109	9 ——— c. 60
21 ——— c. 50	45 ——— c. 86	

NOTE 11, page 39.

Average prices of Wheat from 1670.

*The mean of two half-yearly prices (Winchester measure),
from the Register kept in the books of Eton College.*

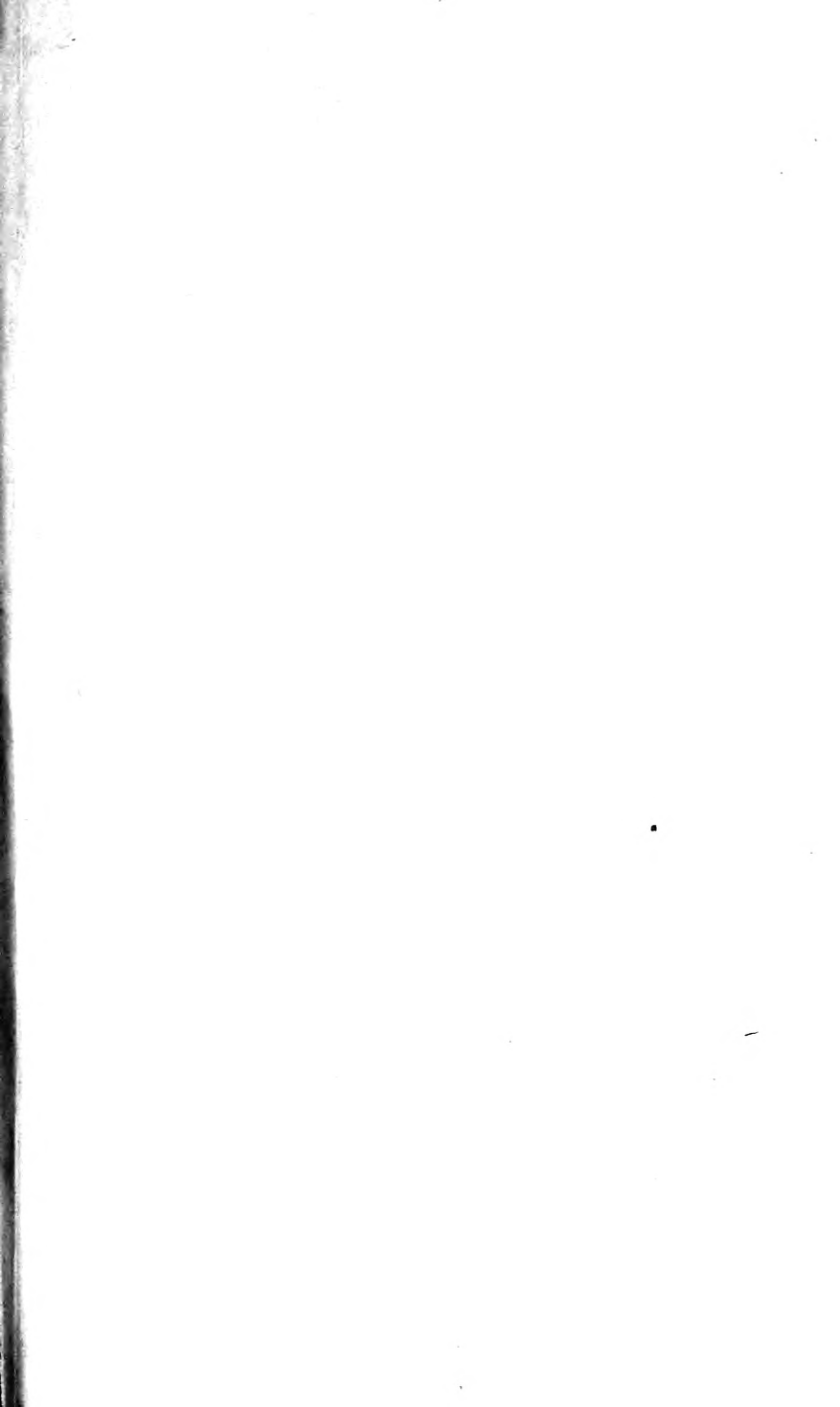
s.	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.
1670 ..	37 0	1704 ..	41 2	1738 ..	31 6
1671 ..	37 4	1705 ..	26 8	1739 ..	33 2
1672 ..	37 0	1706 ..	23 1	1740 ..	48 10
1673 ..	41 5	1707 ..	25 2	1741 ..	41 9
1674 ..	61 0	1708 ..	36 8	1742 ..	28 5
1675 ..	52 1	1709 ..	69 7	1743 ..	22 0
1676 ..	33 9	1710 ..	69 4	1744 ..	22 0
1677 ..	37 4	1711 ..	48 0	1745 ..	24 3
1678 ..	52 5	1712 ..	41 2	1746 ..	34 8
1679 ..	48 0	1713 ..	45 4	1747 ..	30 11
1680 ..	40 0	1714 ..	44 8	1748 ..	32 10
1681 ..	41 5	1715 ..	38 2	1749 ..	32 10
1682 ..	39 1	1716 ..	42 8	1750 ..	28 10
1683 ..	35 6	1717 ..	40 5	1751 ..	34 2
1684 ..	39 1	1718 ..	34 8	1752 ..	40 8
1685 ..	41 5	1719 ..	30 11	1753 ..	39 8
1686 ..	30 2	1720 ..	32 10	1754 ..	30 9
1687 ..	31 8	1721 ..	33 4	1755 ..	29 11
1688 ..	23 1	1722 ..	32 0	1756 ..	40 1
1689 ..	26 8	1723 ..	30 9	1757 ..	53 4
1690 ..	30 9	1724 ..	32 10	1758 ..	44 5
1691 ..	29 11	1725 ..	43 1	1759 ..	35 3
1692 ..	41 9	1726 ..	40 10	1760 ..	32 5
1693 ..	60 1	1727 ..	37 4	1761 ..	26 9
1694 ..	56 10	1728 ..	48 3	1762 ..	34 8
1695 ..	47 1	1729 ..	42 2	1763 ..	36 1
1696 ..	56 0	1730 ..	32 5	1764 ..	41 5
1697 ..	53 4	1731 ..	29 4	1765 ..	48 0
1698 ..	60 8	1732 ..	23 8	1766 ..	43 1
1699 ..	56 0	1733 ..	25 2	1767 ..	57 4
1700 ..	35 6	1734 ..	33 5	1768 ..	53 9
1701 ..	31 8	1735 ..	38 2	1769 ..	40 7
1702 ..	26 0	1736 ..	35 10	1770 ..	43 6
1703 ..	32 0	1737 ..	33 5		

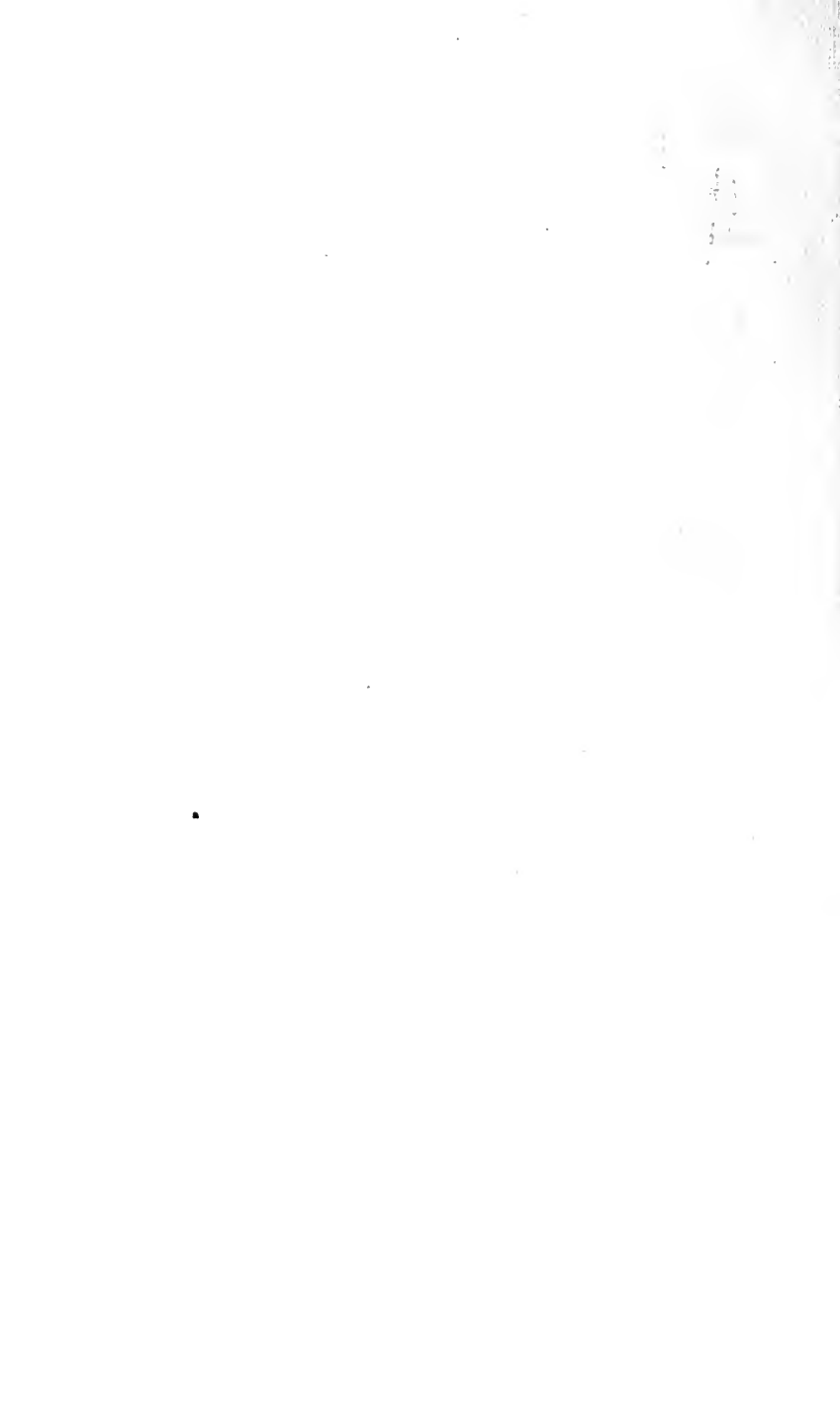
NOTE 11, (*continued.*)*The average prices as published by the Receiver of Corn Returns.*

Winchester measure.											
s.	d.		s.	d.		s.	d.		s.	d.	
1771 ..	47	2	1789 ..	51	2	1807 ..	73	1	1825 ..	66	6
1772 ..	50	8	1790 ..	53	2	1808 ..	78	11	1826 ..	56	11
1773 ..	51	0	1791 ..	47	2	1809 ..	94	5	Imp. measure.		
1774 ..	52	8	1792 ..	41	9	1810 ..	103	3	1827 ..	56	9
1775 ..	48	4	1793 ..	47	10	1811 ..	92	5	1828 ..	60	5
1776 ..	38	2	1794 ..	50	8	1812 ..	122	8	1829 ..	66	3
1777 ..	45	6	1795 ..	72	11	1813 ..	106	6	1830 ..	64	3
1778 ..	42	0	1796 ..	76	3	1814 ..	72	1	1831 ..	66	4
1779 ..	33	8	1797 ..	52	2	1815 ..	63	8	1832 ..	58	8
1780 ..	35	8	1798 ..	50	4	1816 ..	76	2	1833 ..	52	11
1781 ..	44	8	1799 ..	66	11	1817 ..	94	0	1834 ..	46	2
1782 ..	47	10	1800 ..	110	5	1818 ..	83	8	1835 ..	39	4
1783 ..	52	8	1801 ..	115	11	1819 ..	72	3	1836 ..	48	6
1784 ..	48	10	1802 ..	67	9	1820 ..	65	10	1837 ..	55	10
1785 ..	41	10	1803 ..	57	1	1821 ..	54	5	1838 ..	64	7
1786 ..	38	10	1804 ..	60	5	1822 ..	43	3	1839 ..	70	8
1787 ..	41	2	1805 ..	87	1	1823 ..	51	9	1840 ..	66	4
1788 ..	45	0	1806 ..	76	9	1824 ..	62	0			

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